



City of Bellevue

# 2026-2032 Affordable Housing Strategy

## **Revised Draft Recommendation**

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# Direction

Consider directing staff to prepare the 2026 - 2032 Affordable Housing Strategy Update for action at a future meeting.

# AGENDA



Background & Guidance



Community & Council Feedback



Draft Revisions



Implementation & Next Steps

# Background

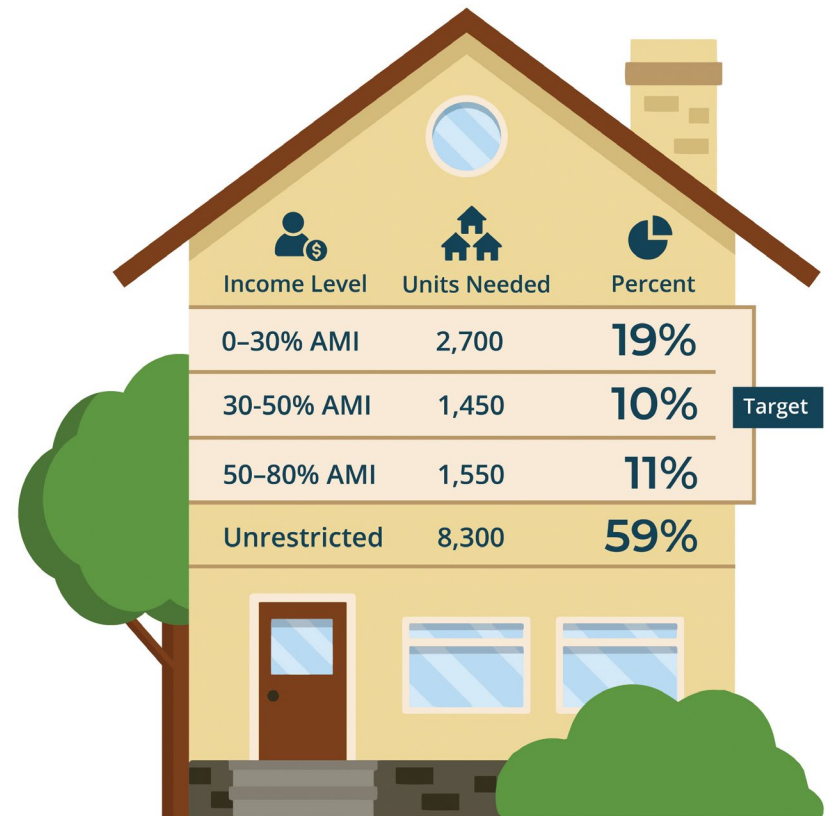
- Short-term action plan
- First adopted in 2017
- Focused on Affordable Housing, but includes other housing priorities



# Affordable Housing Strategy Update

- Update launched in Nov. 2024
- Builds on 2017 implementation
- New affordable housing target
- Implements Comp Plan policy goals

## 2035 Housing Growth & Affordable Target

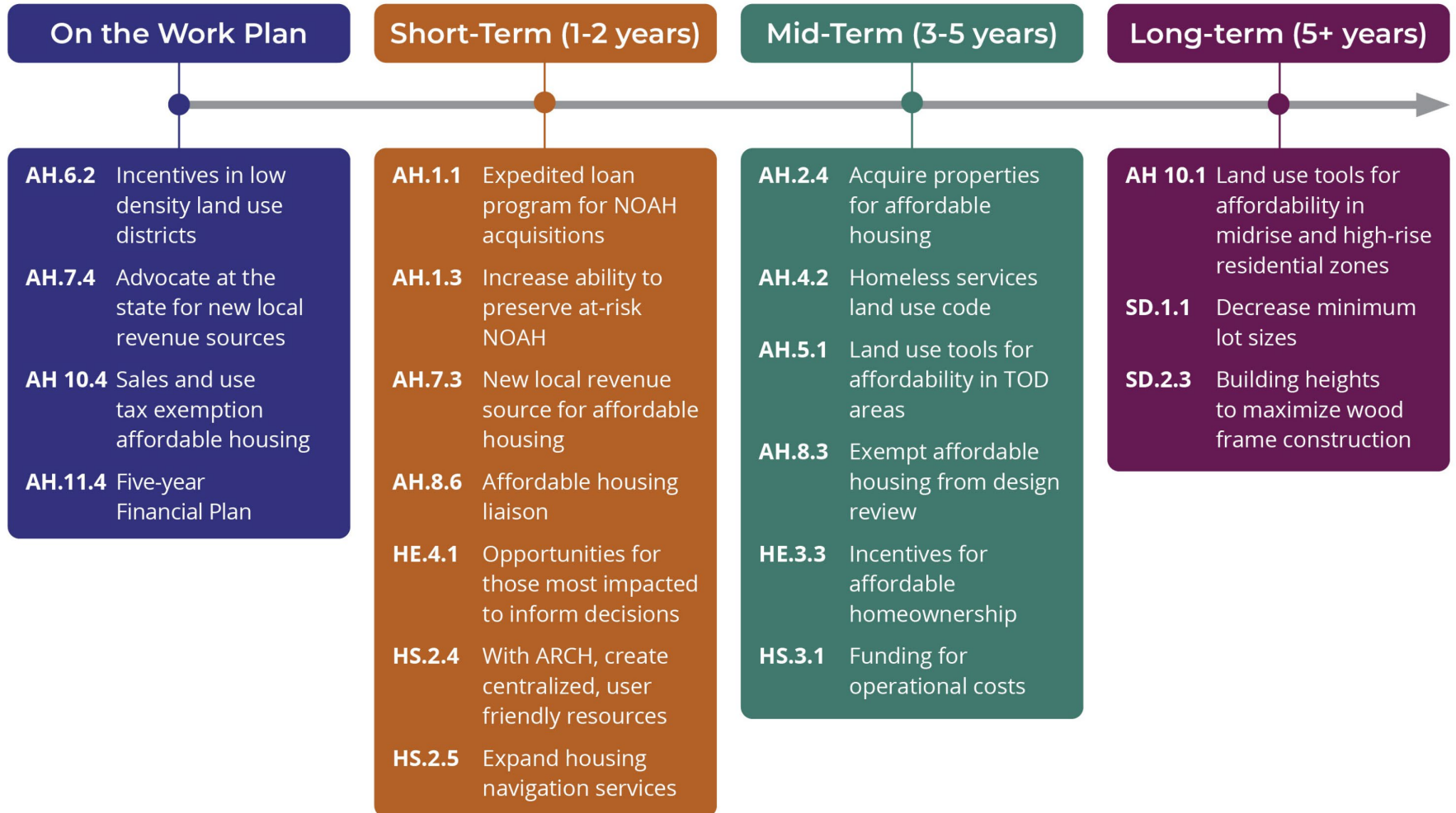


# Document Structure

- Affordable Housing Strategy
  - Goals and strategy narrative
- Action Plan
  - Menu of actions
  - Select high-priority actions
  - Outcomes and implementation metrics



# 20 High-Priority Implementation Actions



# Community Feedback

**Launch: To level set & build audience with educational events**

**Assess: Evaluate tradeoffs & understand priorities to inform strategies**

**Refine: To review and refine strategies and prioritize actions**

**Adopt: To receive final comment on the draft Strategy & actions**

- Info Sessions
- Partner Presentation (PLUSH)
- Public Comment Period

## Key Takeaways

- *Bold and decisive action to address <50% AMI needs*
- *Navigation, belonging and ability to stay in one place*
- *Not just units, also quality of life*
- *Reduce costs to build*
- *Partner across sector & with community*

# Council Feedback

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- More time to engage stakeholders
- Role of Legislative Agendas
- Actions with potential impact to cost of development

## Response

- Additional community engagement
- Review of advocacy within citywide strategic plans
- Review actions with potential cost impact

# Recommended Revisions

Draft Language	Recommendation	Revised Language
<p><b>AH.7.4</b> Advocate at the state level for new local revenue tools like a locally authorized REET increase or expansion or of the local sales tax credit for affordable housing.</p>	<p><b>Amend</b></p>	<p><b>AH.7.4</b> Advocate at the state level for new local revenue tools as directed through the state legislative agenda.</p>
<p><b>HS.1.3</b> Create a policy to stabilize rent increases in land use incentive affordable units</p>	<p><b>Amend</b></p>	<p><b>HS.1.3</b> Consider policies to stabilize rent increases in land use incentive and performance affordable units</p>
<p><b>HS.1.4</b> Support state legislation for reasonable expanded tenant protections as an anti-displacement measure.</p>	<p><b>Amend</b></p>	<p><b>HS.1.4</b> Support reasonable state policies to reduce tenant displacement through the state legislative agenda.</p>

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<p><b>HS.4</b> Rental registration and/or inspection program</p> <p><b>HS.4.1</b> Explore establishing a rental registration program to promote healthy and fair rental housing through education for landlords and tenants.</p>	<p><b>Strike Strategy, Relocate to Strategy HE.1, Amend Action</b></p>	<p><b>HE.1</b> Community education, information and resources</p> <p><b>HE.1.5</b> Promote healthy and fair rental housing through education and training for landlords and tenants. Monitor housing health and safety and evaluate additional measures needed to promote healthy rental housing.</p>
<p>Expand the City’s rental relocation assistance program to more eligible instances</p>	<p><b>Strike</b></p>	<p>N/A</p>

# Implementation & Next Steps

Actions will advance as...

- LUPI workplan
- New programs or initiatives
- Legislative agendas
- Budget authorization

Staff will report biannually to Council on progress





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